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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training
FROM : [REDACTED] 25X1A
Orientation Coordinator
VIA : Deputy Director for Operations Training
SUBJECT : Course Report, Special Overseas Orientation
(SOO) No. 8, 27-29 September 1976

1. The eighth running of the Special Overseas Orientation was conducted in Room 1A13 Headquarters from 27-29 September. There were 19 participants (16 employees and 3 spouses) in attendance. Of the 16 employees, 9 were from the DDA, 3 from the DDI, and 2 each from the DDO and DDS&T.

2. The three representatives from the Department of State's Office of Security who attended the first two days were Messrs. Vernon E. Bishop, John T. Kelly, and William C. Hawkins. Administrative arrangements for these officers were handled by [REDACTED] C/OSSB/OS, who had been the Agency's representative in processing State's attendance. The three officers appreciated the opportunity to audit our program for the purpose of designing a course for State employees similar to the SOO. During the two days, they expressed specific interest in the segments presented by the Office of Security, Office of Technical Services, and the [REDACTED] The Department's tentative schedule for their course is attached, (Attachment D), which is scheduled to be given in mid-November. On the first day of the program, the three State representatives, [REDACTED] and myself 25X1A
lunched in the Rendezvous Room. During this time the visitors indicated that their program would have some emphasis on defensive driving and familiarization with weapons including an optional opportunity in the use of weapons. Dependent children, accompanied by an adult, may attend the second day of their program. On departure, Mr. Kelly said that perhaps I could attend one of their runnings or visit their weapon's range.

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3. The evaluations reflect that the course objectives had been met to a high degree. This was an extremely responsive class and many questions were asked during the two days. The only substitute speaker was from the Office of Personnel on the subject of "Benefits & Services" whose presentation was greatly improved since the one given in SOO No. 6. Mr. [REDACTED] introductory comments, as usual, gave the proper thrust for the need of an orientation program to give an awareness to employees and spouses of the serious threat of terrorism. ITG's overview of the "Nature of the Terrorist Threat" presented by Mr. [REDACTED] introduces to the participants the general scope of the international terrorist threat and current trends. [REDACTED] OMS, addressed the subject of "Dealing with Terrorists and Terrorism" and his presentation was more animated than in recent runnings. In his closing remarks, he spoke on the use of codes and weapons in such a situation which is a topic I had requested he not discuss because the Department of State endorses the use of codes. However, he was not as vehement in his attack against the use of codes as in past presentations. The DDO panel on the "Modus Operandi of Selected Terrorist Groups" was particularly well received and extremely well done. Messrs. [REDACTED] of LA did a superb job and numerous questions were asked. ITG has participated in this since the EA panelist was reassigned but both ITG and EA are only in a position to discuss the JRA which can be ably handled by the NE panelist. The final panel was well received and was represented by senior

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4. The segments on Benefits & Services and Cover still receive criticism. I feel the topic of Cover is straightforward and well presented, but that employees are seeking utopia in what is considered an area where admittedly

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perfection will never exist. The suggestions for improvement in the Benefits & Services' presentation are slightly more definitive than in the Cover segment and this has been brought to the attention of that office.

5. The film, "The Time of the Jackals - Carlos" was incorporated for the first time. This is an excellent film and will continue to be included in the program. Overall reaction to this running of SOO was positive.

6. No major changes are planned for the October SOO. Coordination between LTD and IMB/II have been made for CY 77's POA (Preparation for Overseas Assignment) and SOO to run back to back and to relieve duplication of segments. Additionally, it has been tentatively agreed that the [REDACTED] and the Drug Abuse Seminar more appropriately fit into the course content of the POA, and this change is planned for CY 77. The suggested changes made in the SOO Course Report No. 7 (Paragraph 6), 13 August 1976 will be implemented, to the extent possible, with the above changes.

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Attachments:

- 1 - Student Roster
- 2 - Evaluation
- 3 - Orientation Schedule
- 4 - State Department's Tentative Schedule

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